Met Office Mountain Weather Forecast

Brecon Beacons National Park

Forecast valid from 06:00 on Saturday 15 Jul 2023 until 23:59 on Sunday 16 Jul 2023

Forecast Issued on Saturday 15 Jul 2023 at 03:57

Confidence: High confidence for a spell of unseasonably windy conditions with showers and thunderstorms this weekend. Lower confidence in rain details later Saturday.

Headline for Saturday 15 Jul 2023: Windy with blustery heavy showers, locally thundery.

Mountain weather hazards on Saturday 15 Jul 2023

Blizzards No Likelihood	**Heavy persistent snow** No Likelihood	**Storm force winds** Low Likelihood
Gales High Likelihood	**Severe chill effect** No Likelihood	**Poor visibility** High Likelihood
Thunderstorms High Likelihood	**Heavy persistent rain** Low Likelihood	**Strong sunlight** No Likelihood

Weather and chance of precipitation at 600m					
Time					
06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00
Heavy rain showers	Thundery showers	Heavy rain showers	Thundery showers	Heavy rain showers	Light rain
Precipitation probability					
60%	70%	70%	70%	70%	70%

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Weather: Heavy showers, these sometimes merging into longer spells of rain, with a risk of hail and thunder. Showers or thunderstorms will move quickly in a strong south-westerly breeze, accompanied by some strong gusts around any sharp showers, especially across the higher summits. Gusts to gale force are likely, even down to lower levels. Some brighter and drier spells in between the showers, mainly this morning. A band of more persistent, but mostly light, rain may arrive this evening and continue overnight.

Chance of cloud-free hill tops above 600m: 60%

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud around 500-600m will gradually lift and break up with cloud bases around 700m by late morning. Scattered cloud will remain around 700m this afternoon, although may lower to 500m in any heavy showers before dropping further down to 500 m in rain this evening . Generally good airmass visibility, although often poor or very poor in early low cloud and any heavy showers.

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Height (m)	Wind Speed mean/gusts (mph) Wind Direction (blowing from)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	29/37 SW	33/42 SW	32/42 SW	33/44 SW	29/40 SW	27/37 W	25/35 W
300	16/33 SW	18/36 SW	20/38 SW	21/41 SW	18/36 SW	17/35 W	16/33 W
Valley	13/30 SW	15/33 SW	19/37 SW	19/39 SW	15/34 SW	15/34 W	15/32 W

Height (m)	Temperature / Feels Like (°C)						
	06:00	09:00	12:00	15:00	18:00	21:00	00:00
600	11/6	11/6	11/6	12/7	11/7	11/7	10/6
300	13/10	13/10	14/11	14/10	13/10	13/10	12/10
Valley	14/11	14/12	15/12	15/12	14/11	14/11	13/10
Freezing Level*	2200m	2000m	2200m	2300m	2500m	2400m	2300m

**Level above which ground is expected to be frozen/snow is expected to settle.*

Meteorologist's View

Strong winds and gusts exceeding possibly 55 mph will make walking difficult with sudden increases in heavier showers. Thunderstorms will also bring sudden deteriorations giving slippery surfaces underfoot and reduced visibilities.

Recent rainfall: measured at Neuadd: altitude 353m

Recorded at	Last 24 hours:	Last 48 hours:	Last 72 hours:
02:00 on Sat 15 Jul 2023	22.6mm	26.8mm	35.8mm

Forecast for Sunday 16 Jul 2023

Weather: Any rain easing through the early hours of Sunday with cloud then breaking into sunny spells and scattered showers through the morning. The showers will be most frequent through the morning, isolated through the afternoon and evening, and also less intense compared to Saturday. Plenty of sunny or bright intervals through the afternoon with winds gradually easing through the day.

Maximum wind: Southwesterly 25 mph gusting 35-40 mph

Chance of cloud-free hill tops 600m: 70%

Low cloud and visibility: Low cloud with bases 500 m to start mainly in the west, cloud bases lifting and breaking readily during the morning to above the summits but cloud height highly variable when showers passing through, possibly dropping to cover the highest peaks at times. Generally good visibility, poor at first in lower cloud and in any showers.

Temperature: **Valleys:** Plus 12 degrees Celsius
At 600m: Plus 10 increasing 13 degrees Celsius
Freezing level: Above summits.

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